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SUBJECT: DC-10 TURKISH ACCIDENT

1. FRENCH PRESS REPORTED APRIL 8 THAT LEMAIRE, HEAD OF GOF INVESTIGATION INTO TURKISH AIRLINES CRASH MARCH 3, GAVE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT ACHILLE FOULD PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PROBABLE CAUSE OF ACCIDENT. CAUSE WAS SAID TO BE WRENCHING OFF OF LEFT REAR CARGO DOOR, RESULTING IN DEPRESSURIZATION THAT LED TO COLLAPSE OF REAR FLOOR AREA, EJECTION OF SIX SEATS WITH THEIR PASSENGERS, AND SIMULTANEOUS DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT CONTROLS. THE INVESTIGATION ESTABLISHED POSITIVELY THAT LOSS OF DOOR WAS NOT CAUSED BY BOMB OR OTHER EXPLOSIVES. THE PRESS ADDED THAT INVESTIGATION WILL GO ON FOR SEVERAL MORE MONTHS TO TRY TO ESTABLISH EXACTLY WHAT CAUSED LOSS OF THE CARGO DOOR AND WHY THE COLLAPSED FLOOR DAMAGED FLIGHT CONTROL TO THE POINT WHERE RECOVERY WAS IMPOSSIBLE.

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2. FAA REP CONTACTED VIGIER, ASSISTANT TO LEMAIRE, WHO

EXPLAINED THAT BY FRENCH LAW THE PRESIDENT OF INVESTIGATING COMMISSION HAS TO MAKE "ORAL REPORT" TO MINISTER OF TRANSPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER INVESTIGATION BEGUN. LEMAIRE'S PRELIMINARY REPORT TO ACHILLE-FOULD WAS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THIS REQUIREMENT.

3. VIGIER HAS PROMISED US TEXT OF LEMAIRE'S "ORAL" REPORT, WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED AS SOON AS RECEIVED.
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